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E.O. 12065: GDS (2/14/85, AQUAINTON)

TAGS: PQRS

SUBJECT: KIDNAPPING OF AMBASSADOR DUBS

REF: KABUL 01061

1. CONCUR IN YOUR ADVICE TO LOCAL POLICE THAT PRECIPITOUS ACTION SHOULD BE AVOIDED AT ALL COST. FIRST OBJECTIVE SHOULD BE TO ESTABLISH DIALOGUE WITH TERRORISTS IN ORDER TO ASCERTAIN THEIR OBJECTIVES AND DEMANDS.

2. REQUEST YOU CONTACT AFGHAN FOREIGN MINISTER OR OTHER APPROPRIATE SENIOR OFFICIAL WITH FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY VANCE:

QUOTE: WE GREATLY APPRECIATE EFFORTS WHICH YOUR GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY MADE TO DEAL WITH KIDNAPPING OF AMBASSADOR DUBS. WE STAND READY TO BE OF  
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ASSISTANCE TO YOU IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE. WE HOPE YOU WILL

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TAKE EVERY APPROPRIATE MEASURE TO BRING ABOUT  
AMBASSADOR DUBS RELEASE UNHARMED. UNQUOTE.

3. REFTEL WAS UNCLASSIFIED. SUGGEST FUTURE MESSAGES BE  
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